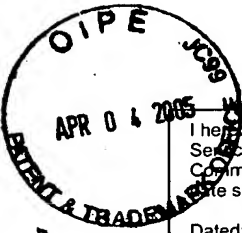


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Copies of documents C18 and C19 are submitted herewith. C18 is the abstract of CD-ROM purportedly contributed to the public collection of the Katherine R. Everett Law Library of the University of North Carolina on March 14, 2001. The CD-ROM is purported to contain a document entitled "On the Preparation and Utilization of Isolated and Purified Oligonucleotides." The document has been included on the form PTO/SB/08A and a paper copy is enclosed herewith. The CD-ROM is also purported to contain a listing of "all sequence of 8 to 12 nucleotides that have between 40 and 60 percent G+C content and are

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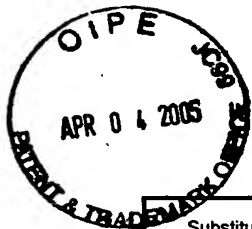
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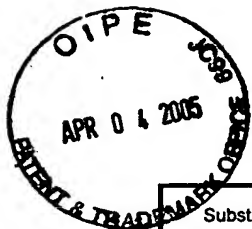
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